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John Flynn/ Graham Daniels - £42
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Gary Kinder £70

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The Committee

The Committee is keen to hear from any players, members or supporters who would like to get more involved in Club activities or have ideas they would like to propose. Please feel free to contact any of the Committee members in person, or e-mail info@eaucc.co.uk.

The Committee members are:

Tom Longfield – President
Michael Pearson – Chairman
Graham Daniels – Secretary
Matthew Howson – Treasurer
Mark Heald – Cricket Chairman
Dave Hofmann – Cricket Secretary
Alastair Cooper / Graham Kibbler – Junior Representative
Peter Langley – Groundsman
Andy Langley – Social
Tom Chester – Clubhouse Maintenance
John Flynn Snr. – Bar Manager
Julian Smith – Communications/PR
Helen Jennings – Fundraising
Mel McTernan – Ladies Secretary
Vacant – Ground Maintenance

Committee Vacancies

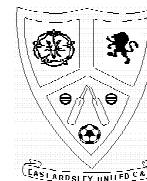
We would like to hear from anyone interested in filling the following Committee roles:

Ladies Secretary

Ground Maintenance

Please contact
Mick Pearson on
07725 609418
for further details

East Ardsley United Cricket Club



Newsletter – July 2009

Club News

Welcome to the latest Club newsletter.

It hardly seems possible that the season is past the halfway mark already. So far the weather has been kind to us with very few rain affected games. The new 'Water Hog' has hardly been used. Let's hope it stays that way!

The year so far has been a challenging one for the Club as a whole, but we remain confident in our ability to continually improve the standard of cricket played at the Club and the facilities we provide. You will no doubt have noticed the improvements, which have been made around the ground and to the scoreboard. Many thanks to those involved in this at the start of the season and during the Cricket Force volunteering event. Particular thanks must go to Pete Langley who worked very hard pre-season erecting benches and getting the ground and surroundings ship shape. We have received many favourable comments from visitors this season who have been impressed with the improvements we have made.

This summer for the first time, we will be holding Summer Cricket Camps for children aged 5-13. It is hoped that these will prove popular and successful and that we can repeat these annually, as they will help us to forge stronger relations with the community and local schools as well as attracting new members to the Club. See the website or Club notice boards for further details.

The hardest part for the Committee is often keeping up with jobs (especially during the summer) to maintain the standard of the ground and clubhouse. We are always grateful for the help provided by our members and supporters in this respect. Our current volunteering opportunities are detailed later in the newsletter. Enjoy the read!

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Volunteering Opportunites

As ever, the Club is heavily reliant on its players, members and supporters to keep it running as smoothly as possible. Unfortunately, sometimes we are unable to maintain the standards and facilities we would like to. We would desperately like to encourage more people to become actively involved in the running of the Club, whether that is as a member of the Committee or by helping out with ground maintenance, odd jobs in the clubhouse, helping to organise social events or just generating ideas for the Committee to take forward.

We currently need people to help in the following areas.

- Ground Maintenance
- Clubhouse Maintenance
- Fundraising
- Filling Committee vacancies
- Coaching / Supervision of junior training (Thursday evenings)
- Helping out on the Family Fun Day (23rd Aug)



Anyone wishing to volunteer their services in any way at all, please contact any of the committee members listed overleaf or simply e-mail info@eaucc.co.uk.

Team News

1st XI

The first team has had a difficult start to the season, but is now showing good signs of improvement. The team has found it difficult to compete with the 'wealthier' Premier Division Clubs, some of which are able to sign several professional players. The arrival of our own overseas professional, Wilden Cornwall, has certainly given the team a boost and a few good victories recently have ensured that the team remains in touch with the other lower placed teams, but the relegation battle is going to be a long one!

2nd XI

The second team in contrast has had a good first half and, but for the loss of 2 points on a technicality (see

Gary Jeffers for an explanation), would currently be sitting in 2nd place. There have been some good solid team performances, and notable individual contributions from Gary Jeffers and stalwart Mick Pearson who, as the oldest player in the Club, remains our most consistently successful bowler. Also encouraging has been the performance of the younger crop of players such as Ashley Chapman, Chris Austwick, Jake Alleston, Joe Hall and Scott Mullins. Proof positive of the success of our youth policy.

Sunday Team

It has been a mixed season so far for the Sunday team, with a couple of encouraging

victories against Carlton and Charlston. There have also been some frustrating matches against some surprisingly 'strong' teams. Star performers have been Adam 'Peanut' Pearson who, at the age of 12, has been the team's best bowler. Batting performances from Chris Austwick at Ossett and Tom Daniels at Darton have been the other high points.

Under 17s

It has been a good first half of the season for the Under 17s with runs coming mainly from Chris Austwick, Gary Jennings and Jake Alleston. There have been some good bowling performances from James Seddon and Ashley Chapman. The team is well placed in the league and only a few points off the top

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Under 15s

The Under 15s have struggled so far this season and have yet to win a game. However, there is some promising talent within the team which means that the remainder of the season should be more positive.

Under 13s

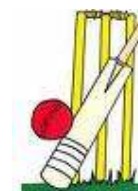
A frustrating season so far for the Under 13s also. They have won only one out of the

first 9 games. There have been some good performances from Adam Pearson, Dave Kibbler and Ben Law, but most players have made valuable contributions to the team.

Under 11s (Friday Nights)

Anyone who has been down at the Club on a Friday evening over the last few weeks couldn't fail to be impressed by the

enthusiasm of our youngest crop of Ardsley cricketers. It is really great to see so many girls and boys (some as young as 4) having such fun whilst learning the game of cricket. Many thanks to Danny McTernan and Tom Daniels who ably lead the sessions and Mel McTernan for keeping the parents refreshed!



Farewell Alastair Cooper

The Club will sadly say farewell to Alastair Cooper in September. Alastair has realised a long-term dream by taking up a teaching post in Cornwall.

Alastair joined the Club in 2003 (he literally turned up on our doorstep one day) and was instrumental in helping the 2nd team gain promotion from the CYCL 3rd division as champions. Ali won the League bowling award in the process. He has been a very active member of the Club and has served on the Committee for a number of years as Junior Rep and has of course coached the Under 13s through thick and thin during his time with us.

The Club would like to thank Ali for his contribution over the last few years both on and off the pitch, and wish him, Lucy (and the dogs) well as they embark on their new life in Cornwall.

Diary Dates



Sat 25th July – **Caribbean Night**

3-7 Aug / 10-14 Aug / 17-21 Aug - **Summer Cricket Camps**

Sun 23rd August – **Family Fun Day**

Fri 11th September - **Junior Presentation Evening**

Tue 15th September – **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**